

## BRITISH GUNBOAT SUNK OFF THE ENGLISH COAST

### Torpedo from German Submarine Strikes the Fatal Blow

#### INNES AND WIFE DISCHARGED FOR WANT OF PROOF OF DEATH OF BEATRICE AND ELOISE NEIMS

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Nov. 12.—The charges of murder against Victor Innes and his wife here for the alleged deaths of Miss Beatrice Neims and Mrs. Eloise Neims, sisters, of Atlanta, will be dismissed Monday, District Attorney Linden announced in court today.

At a hearing in the court where the Innes trial is set for Monday, Mr. Linden said the state has been unable to establish the fact of the Neims sisters' death and therefore would not undertake trial.

The mysterious nature of the alleged crime, the standing of the vic-

tims, the culture and refinement of the accused couple and the many cities in widely separated sections of the country involved, all have operated to cause most intense public interest.

The vicinity of the courthouse where the legal battle will take place was jammed with would-be spectators, only a few of whom were admitted to the proceedings.

Of special interest in San Antonio are the four-year-old twin children of the Inneses. They do not understand the danger which besets their parents. It is generally agreed that they are adopted children and Marshal Neims, brother of the two murdered women, insists the Inneses gave them shelter in order to attract public sympathy should the parents be brought before a public tribunal.

Mrs. Eloise Neims, well-to-do young woman of Atlanta, Ga., are the alleged victims. Innes had obtained a divorce for Mrs. Dennis in Carson City after a year of unhappy married life. He then, it is said, had promised to marry her.

He arranged to meet her in San Antonio and make certain investments for her. The divorced young woman left Atlanta, taking \$15,000 with her. Later Miss Neims followed. The two sisters dropped out of sight completely, causing anxiety to their widowed mother in Atlanta. Then the latter received a letter dated at San Francisco and apparently signed by the elder sister, which read:

"I killed Beatrice in New Orleans and have come here to kill Marshall."

The mother informed the Atlanta police, who warned Marshall Neims in San Francisco. He protected himself, believing the missive genuine. Weeks later, after many stray clues had been followed by the police of several cities, Neims concluded that the letter had been mailed to misdirect any search made for the missing girl. He came to San Antonio and found that the trail of the sisters merged with that of Innes and his wife and seemed to end in a huge cement cauldron in the yard of a cottage on the outskirts of the city.

The owner of the house said Mr. and Mrs. Innes had rented it for three months but occupied it only a few days. Neims also learned, he says, that Innes had been insistent on a house with a furnace, despite the hot weather, and had purchased a large amount of lye at a nearby store.

The search for Innes was begun and he and his wife were arrested on a farm near Eugene, Ore., where they were living under the name of "Harbour." They had adopted the twin children. On warrants charging murder they were arrested and brought back here. Innes maintained his composure and refused to make extended statements, although denying his guilt and that of his wife.

Neims, the Nemesis of the Inneses, declares:

That several photographs of Mrs. Dennis were found in the San Antonio cottage.

That a fragment of a shoe identified as Mrs. Dennis, part of a human skull and some hair were found in the lye vat.

That Innes denied immediately after his arrest in Oregon that he had seen Mrs. Dennis after securing her divorce in Nevada, or had ever met Beatrice Neims.

#### URGE THE PRESIDENT TO OPERATE MINES

#### A. F. OF L. ACTS ON THE RE- FUSAL OF THE MINE OWNERS.

(By International News Service.) PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 12.—A resolution presented by the American Federation of Labor convention urged President Wilson to insist that the Colorado mine owners accept the federal plan for peace and if they fail to comply the president take steps to have the mines operated under government supervision.

TODAY AND A YEAR AGO.

	1914	1913
5 a. m.	45	36
9 a. m.	49	38
12 noon	59	47
2 p. m.	64	50

#### THOMASEN SAYS NO HELPERS IN FIRING THEATER

#### MAINTAINS THAT HE DID ALL THE WORK WITHOUT ASSISTANCE.

Thomason, the Kaiser, the confessed firebug who is responsible for the loss of 15 homes in Tonopah on the night of October 29th, was taken to Goldfield last night for the purpose to keep him from conversing with McGucken and Russel, the men arrested as his accomplices and confined in adjacent cells. He remained in Goldfield jail until this afternoon, when he was brought back to arrange for a preliminary examination. The Kaiser maintains that he was not helped by others in firing the Nevada theater and that he alone is responsible for the crime. The officers have his confession and also a lot of other information that may implicate others.

From several messages received this morning from Stockton it is believed that Thomason is suspected of having set fire to a number of haystacks in the vicinity of that city during the I. W. W. troubles there.

#### BOLIVIAN MINES DESCRIBED AT HIGH SCHOOL

Prof. Francisco Church Lincoln, director of the Mackay School of Mines, University of Nevada, arrived this morning on a getting acquainted trip through the southern country and at the same time arrange for collecting an exhibit of the mineral resources of Tonopah for display at the Panama Pacific Exposition. Prof. Lincoln spent last year in Peru and Bolivia in company with W. W. Charles, of the Tonopah Mining company, examining a number of properties and also investigating the system of operating mines in the high altitudes of the south Pacific. These included tin, antimony, copper, tungsten and gold properties ending at La Paz, Bolivia. Previous to this Mr. Lincoln was engaged in promoting the mine extension work of the University of Illinois by visiting the mining towns and interesting the employees in studies which would advance their own interests. In this way he established miners' institutes with a six weeks' course that resulted profitably for the men.

"I am heartily in favor of mine extension work and would like to do all in my power to bring the university into closer touch with the mining camps by means of this mine extension course which I will advocate and try to persuade the legislature to help with an appropriation. We now have a federal engineering fund from which I hope to derive some aid. I recognize the fact that great good could come from the presence here of an instructor who could give his time in evenings to the men working in mines and mills. He could be supplemented by lecturers from the university whose instructions would teach the men to know the difference between worthless rocks and those with some possibilities so they may be more careful in the selection of samples. This would relieve the university from a lot of superfluous and useless work."

Prof. Lincoln will speak this evening in the High School.

## HUNDREDS OF SHIPS ANCHORED IN THE NARROW CHANNEL IN FULL SIGHT OF THE BUSY ENGLISH CITY OF DEAL

(By International News Service.) BERLIN, Nov. 12.—News of the sinking of the British torpedo gunboat Niger off Deal, England, and the success of the German army at Dixmude caused great rejoicing today. This was heightened by the arrival of 2,000 British and French prisoners and a detachment of captive Indians, all of whom were paraded through the streets. The press states the German land and sea forces are on the threshold of a new era of achievement.

(By International News Service.) PETROGRAD, Nov. 12.—Russian troops are continuing their successful campaign against the Turks in Armenia, was officially announced today. Every attempt of the Turks to outflank the czar's troops was defeated. Refugees arriving from Constantinople say a reign of terror exists in the Ottoman capital.

#### Berlin Announces Complete Repulse Of Russians and Allied Forces

(By International News Service.) BERLIN, Nov. 12.—"The allies have been driven across the Yser at every point," says the official announcement today. "The Yser is now clear of the enemy all the way to the North sea. Our attacks south of Dixmude progressing. We captured seven hundred more French soldiers there. Counter attacks by enemy east of Ypres were repulsed."

VIENNA, Nov. 12.—The following is official: "We stormed the heights of Mirozo. The Russian wing is crushed. We took 4,300 prisoners."

The Russians were completely defeated on the Caucasian frontier in a two-day fight, says a Constantinople dispatch. The positions of the Russians are now occupied by the Turks. A Turkish fleet pursued the Russian fleet which bombarded Kosi in the Black sea and the Russians escaped in a fog.

#### RELIEF SHIP WITH FOOD FOR BELGIAN PEOPLE GOES OUT

#### NINETEEN THOUSAND TONS OF SUPPLIES FORWARDED TO SUFFERERS.

(By Associated Press.) PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 12.—Laden with 19,000 tons of food, the ship Thelma today sailed for Rotterdam, where her cargo will be discharged for Belgians. Philadelphians gave the food and one citizen paid the expenses of the ship.

#### SURPRISED FRIENDS BY GETTING MARRIED

#### POPULAR YOUNG COUPLE PROV- ED THEY COULD KEEP A SECRET.

William P. Drummy, better known as "Billy," one of the most popular young men about town, was married yesterday afternoon to Miss Anita C. Hutchison. The ceremony was performed by Judge Mark Averill in the judge's chambers at the courthouse and the first friends knew of the wedding was that it had been celebrated. Friends of both bride and groom had arranged for a great reception with masses of flowers and presents, and the date was fixed for November 18th, but the bridegroom grew timid as he thought of the idea of facing scores of callers and he concluded to steal a march by advancing the date one week. Miss Hutchison has been in charge of the postal savings division of the post office. Congratulations were in order last night and this morning.

#### SUFFRAGETTES REPENT OF RECENT CAMPAIGN

(By Associated Press.) NASHVILLE, Nov. 12.—The executive council of the National American Woman Suffrage association declared its political non-partisanship and went on record as opposed to attacks upon any political party.

#### NEGRO INSULTS THE PRESIDENT IN WHITE HOUSE

#### CHAIRMAN OF DELEGATION LOSES HIS TEMPER AND GIVES OFFENSE.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—President Wilson, while receiving a delegation of negroes protesting against the segregation of races in government departments, objected to the tone of their spokesman, W. M. Trotter, of Boston, and informed the committee that if they called again they would have to get another chairman. The president added he had not been addressed in such a manner since he entered the White House.

Trotter and others took issue with the president, saying the negroes have the same rights as whites.

The president listened and then told the delegation that Trotter was losing control of his temper and refused to consider the subject further.

#### FIERCE TEMPEST JEOPARDIZES LIFE IN THE NORTH SEA

#### MANY SHIPS DRIVEN ASHORE AND FEARS FELT FOR WARSHIPS.

(By International News Service.) CHRISTIANIA, Nov. 12.—The severest storm for ten years has been raging on the Norwegian coast for 24 hours. Many ships were driven ashore. Mail service is disorganized. Coasting steamers succeeded in making port, but fears are felt for warships off the coast when the storm struck.

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Nov. 12.—The wave of optimism which has been sweeping England this week was checked by news of the occupation of Dixmude by Germans with renewed indication of peril from German submarines by the fate of the British torpedo gunboat Niger, destroyed by a torpedo launched by a German submarine. The Niger was destroyed within sight of the English shore, in a narrow part of the channel, where hundreds of ships were anchored.

(By International News Service.) NISH, Nov. 12.—Six battalions of Austrian infantry with quick firing guns which crossed the Danube near Saderevo have been annihilated by a Servian counter attack. All men not killed, wounded or drowned fell into Servian hands. The Servians took 2,000 prisoners.

#### "LORD BURTON," HUNGER STRIKER, HAS TRIAL SET IN DISTRICT COURT FOR STEALING FROM A FRIEND

Francis Burton, known locally as "Lord Burton," on account of his aristocratic pretensions, appeared in court yesterday charged with burglary in having entered the home of a friend while the latter was absent and taking a quantity of jewelry. The case was set for the first week in December.

Burton was not suspected at the time and it was only when some of the jewelry that had been picked up

on the street by Chief of Police Evans was identified as stolen property that the crime was traced. The police also found a quantity of trinkets under the bed occupied by Burton at the county hospital and then the charge was filed.

Burton was brought to Tonopah last spring from the vicinity of Amar-gosa and placed in the county hospital, where he told a heartrending story of having crawled 20 miles across the desert to the railroad line before he could secure assistance. The sympathies of Mrs. Court, the matron, were aroused and she did all she could to alleviate the sufferings of her charge, who improved so rapidly that he soon was able to go down town. His first visit resulted in coming back soused and creating a disturbance. He was thrown in jail, where he organized a hunger strike and was allowed to remain without food until he gave in at the end of a week and begged for something to eat. After this experience he was returned to the hospital, where he continued to disturb the other patients, who were greatly relieved when Burton was eventually transferred to the jail on the present charge.

Burton told the court he would plead his own case, but would also accept the advice of any attorney the court chose to appoint. Judge Averill appointed C. J. Richards attorney to assist.

#### BATTLESHIP SAFE IN HARBOR OF BEIRUT

#### NORTH CAROLINA FOUND SAFE AND SOUND IN MEDITERRANEAN.

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—The battleship North Carolina is safe in Beirut harbor, the cruiser Tennessee, now in the Mediterranean, reported today to the navy department that she had wireless communication with the North Carolina yesterday, which is safe in Beirut harbor.

#### TEMPERATURE REPORT.

Highest temperature yesterday, 58; a year ago, 56.  
Lowest temperature last night, 49; a year ago, 33.

#### Queen Congratulates Women of America

(By International News Service.) LONDON, Nov. 12.—Queen Mary gladdened the hearts of 200 wounded "Tommys" in the American Women's hospital at Paignton, Devonshire, by a personal gift to each soldier. She congratulated the Americans on the excellent equipment of their service.

#### SMASHING FIGHT WITHOUT ANY GAINS FOR EITHER

#### KAISER'S FORCES HELD IN CHECK ALONG THE ALLIES' FRONT.

(By International News Service.) PARIS, Nov. 12.—That fighting between the allies and Germans in northern France and western Belgium is continuing with uninterrupted violence, was officially announced this afternoon. The statement follows:

"On our left wing the battle continues uninterrupted with the same violence, following alternate advances and repulses that, thus far, are without decisive importance. In a general way, the battle front has not materially changed since the evening of December 10th.

"There is no change in the positions held by British troops, who repulsed the attacks of the enemy, particularly in an offensive movement undertaken by the Prussian Guard."

"From LaBasse canal as far as the River Oise, only minor engagements have occurred."

"In the region of the River Aisne, in the vicinity of Vailly, we maintained our position in face of desperate hand to hand counter attacks. We made more effective our position on the ground previously retaken from the enemy in this vicinity."

"In the region of Craonne, at Heurtebise farm, our artillery, brought up to silence the enemy's guns, demolished several of them."

#### JAPANESE BATTLESHIPS LOOKING FOR GERMANS

(By International News Service.) HONOLULU, Nov. 12.—The Japanese battleship Hizen and cruiser Asama, coaled, provisioned and departed to rendezvous with the Japanese fleet searching for the German warships which defeated the British off Chile.

#### FRENCH SHIP SINKS IN A CHANNEL GALE

(By Associated Press.) HAVRE, Nov. 12.—The French steamer Duchesse De Guiche foundered in Havre roadstead during a gale and eleven were drowned.

#### FIRING AT NACO.

(By International News Service.) NACO, Nov. 12.—Maytorena has reopened artillery fire on the Carranzaarrison. The garrison replied.

#### Warned Against Helping Germans

(By International News Service.) WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—France and England have warned Ecuador and Colombia in vigorous terms that violations of the neutrality will not be tolerated. They are accused of permitting wireless messages to Germany and allowing warships to coal.